

## Girls Scouts Given Awards At 'Camp'

SMITH RIVER — Several local Girl Scouts were given scout awards, recently, at the dedication of the new scout camp near Darlingtonia and include:

Invested and received Tenderfoot awards: Barbara Grupp, Theresa Johnson, Myrtle Richards, Eleanor Cearley, Kay Westbrook; Second Class badges: Kay Westbrook, Eleanor Cearley.

Proficiency badges awarded to Dorothy Rowley: Cook, Child Care, Games, Photography, Hostess, Housekeeping, Poultry Raising.

By Nadine Lehmkuhl: Photography, Cook, Housekeeping.

By Kate Rooney: Photography. Membership stars: Barbara Grupp, Theresa Johnson, Myrtle Richards, Eleanor Cearley, Kay Westbrook, Joan McClish, Opal Nelson, Dorothy Rowley, Nadine Lehmkuhl, Kate Rooney.

A large delegation of parents and friends were present at the dedication, Saturday evening, June 30, at the camp, donation of Prudence Muncy, near Darlingtonia.

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Hill visited Smith River recently and with Mrs. Clarence Hight, spent some time in looking over the names and plots of pioneers buried in the old addition of the Smith River cemetery. They catalogued the names and date so there can be a record kept of the graves with no markers.

Anyone having relatives or friends buried in the old cemetery, whose graves are not now marked, may get in touch with Mrs. Clarence Hight, so she may make a record.

Mrs. Leah Wilson and friend, Mrs. June Brown, of Mojave, spent several weeks here visiting friends, with Mrs. Wilson attending to business affairs of her late husband, Robert Wilson. The ladies left Monday for Mojave.

Miss Connie Luick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Luick, returned recently from San Francisco, where she visited friends and also was a guest on a television program.

## The Week In Washington, D. C.

By Harris Ellsworth, M. C.

A portion of the control laws, which is called by the high-sounding name "Defense Production Act," would have expired Saturday, June 30, but was kept alive by a temporary extension resolution passed by Congress on the last day. The extension was, however, something more than a simple extension. It places definite limitations on the activities and specifically cancels, at least for the 30 days, their plan of price rollbacks.

There has been quite a bit of propaganda about this control law and the failure of congress to extend it. In fact, it seems to me that some important facts about are being ignored, if not forgotten. Only the portions of the law authorizing price and wage controls were to expire. The remainder carries on through until 1952. When the act was under consideration by congress last summer the president had requested production controls but did not want authority to control prices and wages. Under the pressure of a new war in Korea and threat of total war, congress insisted on writing the price control sections. Perhaps that was the reason for setting the expiration date this year. Strangely enough the president is now placing the greatest emphasis on price control authority. Meanwhile the Korean venture likely to end at least for a while, and our economy has absorbed the impact of defense production thus far and does not seem to be too much worried about the so-called major impact of defense buying which is supposed to come this fall.

Last year I pointed out that the defense production and allocation powers requested and put into law were much stronger than were required to fight World War 2. But no, in addition to insisting upon price control authority which he did not want last year, the president has asked for a number of additional control powers and even stiffer authority over production.

The senate has already passed its version of the new defense production act. The house is considering a different bill which was reported by its committee on banking and currency. Shortly the new bills will be merged into

one (by a conference committee) and the law will be extended for a year or more. Although many members will vote against the extension of price and wage control powers, the possibility (or actuality) of peace in Korea is not the reason for such votes. In other words it is not just a case of "business as usual" after the shooting stops. No, it is much more than that. I have made it a point to talk to several who voted for the bill last summer but who are opposed to further extension of price controls now. They do not mention Korea.

They simply have been studying the problem and watching the operation of the present day version of price control. They realize that prices simply cannot be controlled by law in a free economy.

As this is written, peace talks are to begin. This is the topic of conversation here now—as it is most all over the world. The best face that can be put on the situation is that we went into action in Korea for the purpose of stopping aggression. Having stopped it, we can now withdraw, leaving the situation almost exactly as it was before the invasion started. Perhaps the NEXT aggression will be better planned and in greater force—and will be successful! We have reaped a grim harvest because of our lack of political courage in 1945 when we failed to insist that the agreement to free and unify Korea be carried out. Instead we backed down, divided the country and so planted the seeds for what has happened.

## LOCAL NEWS

Visitors at the Henry Kerr home last week were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kerr of Packwood, Wash., and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harper and two sons of Tacoma. Mrs. Harper is Mrs. Kerr's sister.

Recent guests, all relatives of Mrs. R. E. Simmons, at their ranch north of town, were Mr. and Mrs. Turner buyer for the Thompson-Diggs Hardware Co., of Sacramento; Mrs. Lyle and Mrs. Lyle Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Lago of Hayward, Calif; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson of Sacramento;

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allen and two children of San Diego.

Mrs. J. L. Mumbower and her daughter, Sharon, arrived home from California Friday night, after visiting relatives on their way home from Buffalo, N. Y. Rev. Mumbower returned a week earlier. The family attended the national Baptist Convention and visited other points en route, both ways.

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